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# Soviets Sentence Dissident for Treason

MOSCOW—A Leningrad court has sentenced a former journalist, Valery Repin, to two years in prison and three years of internal exile after he confessed that as Leningrad manager of a fund to help political prisoners and their families he had unwittingly provided information to U.S. intelligence agencies.

The three-week-long treason trial involved extensive testimony by more than two dozen persons, Washington Post correspondent Dusko Doder reported yesterday. The case involved the operations of the Solzhenitsyn Fund, set up by author Alexander Solzhenitsyn.

The sentence imposed on Repin, 32, was extraordinarily mild, presumably because of his full confession to charges and cooperation in what seems to be the most determined attempt by the authorities to suppress the fund. Under the provisions of the Soviet criminal code, the treason charges carried a minimum sentence of 10 years in prison.

The trial was likely to be followed by the trial of Sergei Khodorovich, the fund's Moscow manager.

Repin's three-week trial received extensive publicity here. He appeared on television to confess that he had been manipulated by U.S. intelligence agents, who gave him money for the fund in exchange for information on the Soviet Union.